Resolution No. VI of the Insurance Committee.

READ—

Correspondence ending with letter No. 20602, dated 20th April 1926 from the Secretary, State Life Insurance Committee, requesting sanction to the following resolution No. VI relating to the Public Branch passed at the meeting of the State Life Insurance Committee held on the 30th January 1926 :—

Resolved that the term of Mr. Gundu Rao be extended by a further period of six months so that the next election of all members may be arranged for at the same time, that the maximum number of Members to represent the insured of the Public Branch be limited to only 3 (three) and that in all future elections, only those who have insured in the Public Branch for an aggregate sum of Rs. 500 or more be permitted to vote.

ORDER NO. FL. 6444-5—G. F. 44-25-39, DATED 10TH MAY 1926.

Sanctioned.

M. N. KRISHNA RAO,
Financial Secretary to Government.

PUBLIC WORKS SECRETARIAT.

Bangalore Water Supply.

ORDER NO. P. W. 4001-5, DATED 8TH MAY 1926.

For three years past in succession, the replenishment of the Hessarghatta lake, which is the source of the water-supply of Bangalore, has been scanty and disappointing with the result that the lake is now practically dry.

2. Various temporary measures have been tried, such as, reserving the upper tanks in the catchment area of the Hessarghatta lake and emptying their contents into the lake, and connecting other tanks outside the catchment area with Bangalore by means of pumps and mains hastily improvised for the occasion. In spite of these measures which have cost a sum of over Rs. 2 lakhs, it has not been possible to cope with the demands for water-supply in the City and Cantonment Station in the present hot weather.

3. The situation is thus an anxious one, and as the needs of the population are growing, it is likely to become more and more tense in future years, if neglected. Government, therefore, consider it necessary to have the defects of the existing system thoroughly investigated by a Committee of Engineers with a view to place the question on a permanently satisfactory basis.

4. They are accordingly pleased to direct that a Committee be constituted with the marginally noted gentlemen as Members, under the guidance of Sir M. Visvesvaraya who has kindly consented to be the Chairman, to advise Government as regards the measures to be adopted for the permanent improvement of the water-supply.

V. Rangaswamy Iyengar, Esq., Retired Director of Industries and Commerce
J. Bhore, Esq., Chief Engineer
K. R. Seshachar, Esq., Secretary, Public Works Department
H. R. Venkatasubba Rao, Esq., Executive Engineer, Water-supply Division—Secretary.

5. The Chief Engineer is requested to take immediate steps to collect all available data on the subject, examine the various alternative schemes put forward or contemplated from time to time in the past and prepare a detailed report in the first instance for the consideration of this Committee.

K. R. SESHACHAR,
Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.